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SUBJECT: NCUSCT REQUEST TO REPUBLISH HONG KONG AIRGRAMS

REF: A. HONG KONG A-249 B. HONG KONG A-253

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1. WE HAVE NO OBJECTIONS TO NCUSCT USE OF REF A AND B IN ITS "US-CHINA BUSINESS REVIEW" AND/OR IN SEPARATE BOOKLET OR REPRINT FORM. WE ARE, HOWEVER, A BIT TROUBLED BY THE ATTRIBUTION "FROM U.S.GOVERNMENT SOURCES," PARTICULARLY FOR REF. A. (CHINA'S FOREIGN TRADE IN 1972).

2. AS YOU KNOW, CURRENT SCENE'S OCTOBER 1973 ISSUE (VOL XI, NO. 10) CARRIED REF. A, WITH SOME EDITING, AS ITS LEAD ARTICLE ATTRIBUTED TO "THE EDITOR." CURRENT SCENE IS WIDELY, BUT NOT UNIVERSALLY, KNOWN TO BE PRODUCED BY USIS. LIKewise, "THE EDITOR" IS WIDELY THOUGHT, BUT NOT OFFICIALLY ADMITTED, TO BE A PSEUDONYM FOR USG REPORTS, PARTICULARLY THOSE FROM CONGEN HONG KONG. CURRENT SCENE ARTICLE HSB BEEN WIDELY AND FAVORABLY USED. MOST RECENT TO COME TO OUR ATTENTION IS FULL-PAGE ARTICLE IN MOSCOW NARODNY BANK(LONDON) PRESS BULLETIN

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(DECEMBER 19 ISSUE) WHICH WAS DRAWN FROM ARTICLE IN

DECEMBER 14 (LONDON) FINANCIAL TIMES.

3. WE ARE NOT SURE WHERE THE BALANCE LIES BETWEEN THE
USE OF "USG SOURCES" AS A WAY TO LEND CREDENCE AND
STATURE TO THE NCUSCT PUBLICATIONS AND THE DESIRABILITY

OF NCUSCT AT LEAST APPEARING TO ORIGINATE ARTICLES
ITSELF AND ALSO TO SELECT FROM USEFUL SOURCES WORLDWIDE.
FOR OUR PART, WE WOULD NOT OBJECT IF DEPARTMENT AND
NCUSCT DECIDE IT WOULD BE MORE USEFUL OR MORE APPROPRIATE
TO USE THE ATTRIBUTION "FROM U.S. GOVERNMENT SOURCES."
WE WOULD SUGGEST, HOWEVER, THAT FOR REF. A. CURRENT SCENE
IS A FEASIBLE ALTERNATIVE AND THAT FOR REF. B, NO ATTRI-
BUTION AT ALL IS NECESSARY.

4. SINCE NCUSCT PLANS TO EDIT THESE REPORTS ITSELF,
REF. B CAN BE UPDATED SIMPLY BY ADDING CHINA'S PARTICIP-
TION IN BULGARIA'S PLOVDIV AND POLAND'S POZNAN FAIRS IN
SEPTEMBER. IN ALL THE PRC PARTICIPATED IN 17 FAIRS IN
1973.
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